

While I know that Congressman McNULTY will be greatly missed by his colleagues here, I also know that his character and passion for a better world will only lend itself to continued service and continued good work.

Mr. Speaker, I ask all my colleagues to join me in congratulating Congressman McNULTY, and wishing him our best for his future.

Mr. STARK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize my good friend and colleague, Mike McNULTY (NY-21), who is retiring after 10 terms in Congress.

With nearly 40 years in elective public office, MIKE has served his community as a local leader, a member of the state legislature, and its representative in Congress.

During his Congressional service, I have been privileged to work by his side on the Ways and Means Committee. On our Committee, MIKE can always be counted on to stand up for the interests of working families, senior citizens, and people with disabilities.

Most recently, as Chairman of the Social Security Subcommittee, MIKE has been a leader in protecting Social Security from Republican attempts to privatize it. He's also initiated improvements to the program as well. For example, in this Congress, Chairman McNULTY was able to secure \$150 million in additional funding for the Social Security Administration to lessen the backlog of cases and better serve beneficiaries.

While MIKE has never been one to reach for the headlines, when it came to speak up for seniors and the middle class, MIKE's voice was always heard loud and clear. We will miss MIKE's friendship and his steady leadership in Congress. The people of upstate New York are losing an outstanding representative, and we are all grateful for his lifetime of service to his community and our Nation.

Mr. ACKERMAN. Mr. Speaker, we yield back.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. PEARCE (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today and until 2 p.m. tomorrow on account of traveling in New Mexico on business.

Mr. POE (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today on account of recovery efforts following Hurricane Ike.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. WOOLSEY) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. LYNCH, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SHERMAN, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. FOXX) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. POE, for 5 minutes, September 26.

Mr. JONES, for 5 minutes, September 26.

Mr. SALI, for 5 minutes, September 23.

Ms. FOXX, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MORAN of Kansas, for 5 minutes, today, September 23, 24 and 25.

Mr. BURTON of Indiana, for 5 minutes, today, September 23, 24, 25 and 26.

SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 531. An act to repeal section 10(f) of Public Law 93-531, commonly known as the "Bennett Freeze", to the Committee on Natural Resources.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Ms. Lorraine C. Miller, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 2608. An act to amend section 402 of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 to provide, in fiscal years 2009 through 2011, extensions of supplemental security income for refugees, asylees, and certain other humanitarian immigrants, and to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to collect unemployment compensation debts resulting from fraud.

H.R. 5551. An act to amend title 11, District of Columbia Official Code, to implement the increase provided under the District of Columbia Appropriations Act, 2008, in the amount of funds made available for the compensation of attorneys representing indigent defendants in the District of Columbia courts, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5893. An act to reauthorize the sound recording and film preservation programs of the Library of Congress, and for other purposes.

SENATE ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The Speaker announced her signature to enrolled bills of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 996. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to expand passenger facility fee eligibility for certain noise compatibility projects.

S. 2339. An act to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs clinic in Alpena, Michigan, as the "Lieutenant Colonel Clement C. Van Wagoner Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic".

S. 3406. An act to restore the intent and protections of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. HALL of New York. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 18 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, September 23, 2008, at 9:00 a.m., for morning-hour debate.

EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for speaker-authorized official travel during the fourth quarter of 2007, the first and second quarters of 2008, pursuant to Public Law 95-384 are as follows:

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, KAY A. KING, PH.D., HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JUNE 27 AND JULY 8, 2008

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Kay A. King, Ph.D.	6/27	6/29	Nigeria		648.00		(³)				648.00
	6/29	7/01	Zambia		745.00						745.00
	7/01	7/06	South Africa		1,401.00						1,401.00
	7/06	7/07	Liberia		140.00						140.00
Committee total					2,934.00						2,934.00

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.

² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

³ Military air transportation.